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Since returning home it occurs to me that I ought to give my readers the same pleasure and satisfaction I received from the repeated perusal of the article, and I therefore write to enquire if you would kindly give me permission to reproduce the contribution in the *Michigan Tradesman*, with full credit and, in addition, editorial commendation and acknowledgment?

E. A. STOWE,

Editor, *Michigan Tradesman*.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

A CONSTANT FRIEND

SIR,—I am in receipt of yours of the 7th inst., notifying me of the expiration of my subscription to your most excellent magazine. I have renewed the subscription through a local agency.

I have read your magazine more or less for many years, and greatly to my satisfaction; and, in fact, have on file in my library many special numbers reaching back for thirty years or more. In justice to Mr. Harvey's keen insight in touching the right chords of harmony and logic on any question which he discusses, I am moved to say that for the last two years the REVIEW filled a want in my literary reading which no other magazine, foreign or domestic, can supply.

J. M. COMSTOCK.

SPOKANE, WASH.

GERMANY AND THE BLACK HAND

SIR,—Having read with deep interest your article, in the May issue of THE NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW, in reply to Colonel Roosevelt's statements in the *Metropolitan*, I desire to take the opportunity of inquiring whether or not, in your opinion, Germany—having duly warned the country through the German embassy at Washington of their intentions to torpedo the *Lusitania* and other transatlantic liners,—acted within the rules of naval warfare prescribed by the Hague Conventions?

W. WARD SMITH.

NEW YORK CITY.

[Assuredly not. If the German warning can be held to have justified assassination, so can a Black Hand notification.

—EDITOR.]

COMMENDATION FROM MICHIGAN

SIR,—I published some comment on your article on Bryan, and have so many requests from subscribers that I ask your permission to publish it complete in the *Gazette*, giving proper credit to you and to THE NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW.

Personally, I enjoyed it, every word of it, and I am sure that my enjoyment was not founded entirely upon an opinion of Bryan relatively similar to yours, but rather upon the complete and thorough manner in which you handled him.

I believe your article should be made a part of high-school work—first, for the class in English composition, and second, for the oratorical opportunity it offers.

HOMER A. GUCK,

Vice-president and Editor, The *Mining Gazette* Co.

HOUGHTON, MICH.